**Fencing of bungalows in Delhi**

1920. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government bungalows fenced with barbed wires a"d strengthened by raising the height of the compound walls at Delhi from security point of view during the last three years;

(b) the criteria adopted for selection of such bungalows for the purpose;

(c) the expenditure incurred for the same during the last three years, year-wise; and

(d) the number of people occuping these bungalows in Delhi at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) 80 (Eighty).

(b) The fencing is done on the recommendations of the authority incharge of security.

(c) The expenditure incurred is given below:—

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| 1983-84 | Rs. 1,38,696\|- |
| 1984-85 | Rs. 5,34,644\|- |
| 1985-86 | Rs. 22,27,364\|- |

(d) 80 (Eighty).

**Conference on provision of drinking water facilities *to* SC/ST**

1921. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: SHRI J. P. GOYAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a two day conference of the Secretaries and State Ministers in-charge of Rural Development was held on February 12th and 13th. 1986 to discuss ways for previding safe and adequate drinking water facilities to the emtire nival pop1rHffi«iB;

(b) if so, what were the other subjects discussed;

(c) what were the decisions arrived at;

(d) whether the approach to be adopted for covering Scheduled Tribes and Scheduled Castes population under the Programme was also discussed; and

(e) if so, what were the decisions arrived at?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BUTA SINGH); (a) to (e) Atwo day conference of Secretaries and State Ministers in charge of Rural Water Supply was held on 12th and 13th February, 1986.

A Statement indicating the main points arising out of the discussion held during the conference is enclosed.

Statement

The main points arising out of discussions held during the Conference of Secretaries and Stae Ministers held on 12th and 13th February, 1986 at New Delhi.

1. All out effort would be made topro-vide adequate and safe drinking water supply to the entire rural population of the country.

2. Highest priority would be given to cover the problem of villages spilled over from the Sixth Plan period followed by problems villages indentified subsequently and coverage of partially covered problem villages.

3. Coverage of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe habitations should be given the highest priority and the sources means to benefits SC|ST population should be entirely located within the SC/ST habitations for providing them easy accessibility.

4. There is urgent need to develop low cost options for providing safe drinking water in rural area$_s$ so as to expand coverage with the available resources.

5. The Technology mission should aim at finding low cost water treatment problems of fluorides, salinity and brakisness,' bactenological contamination, improving the recharging of ground water through proper •micro-level